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KMap technique

- Aim is to have an optimal 2-level SOP (or POS) form
- Algebraic operation used repeatedly on FPs pz and $p\bar{z}$ where p is contained in FPs pz and $p\bar{z}$
- $pz + p\bar{z} = p(z + \bar{z}) = p$
- FPs pz and $p\bar{z}$ are *adjacent*
- By absorption [$p = p + p$], FPs are not exclusive
- For convenience minterms are placed on a Karnaugh map where adjacent minterms get placed in adjacent cells
- Enables easier identification of adjacent FPs for simplification

f

c, d

a, b

	00	01	11	10
00	0	1	3	2
01	4	5	7	6
11	12	13	15	14
10	8	9	11	10

$$\underbrace{\bar{a}\bar{b}\bar{c}\bar{d}}_{0000 \leftrightarrow 0} + \underbrace{\bar{a}bcd}_{0111 \leftrightarrow 7} + \underbrace{a\bar{b}\bar{c}d}_{1001 \leftrightarrow 9}$$

$$\underbrace{a\bar{b}\bar{c}d}_{1100 \leftrightarrow 12} + \underbrace{abcd}_{1111 \leftrightarrow 15}$$

$$f = \sum_m (0, 7, 9, 12, 15)$$



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c, d

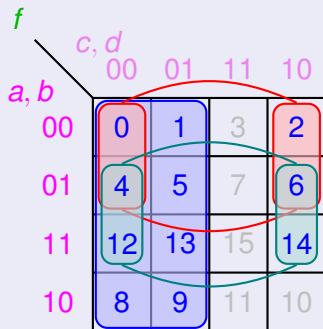
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$$f = \underbrace{bcd}_{\text{blue}} + \underbrace{a\bar{b}\bar{c}\bar{d}}_{\text{red}} + \underbrace{a\bar{b}\bar{c}d}_{\text{orange}} + \underbrace{\bar{a}\bar{b}\bar{c}\bar{d}}_{\text{teal}}$$



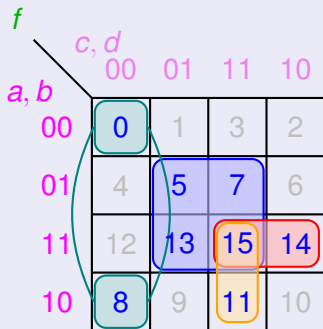
$$f(a, b, c, d) = \sum_m (0, 1, 2, 4, 5, 6, 8, 9, 12, 13, 14)$$



$$f = \bar{c} + \bar{a}\bar{d} + b\bar{d}$$



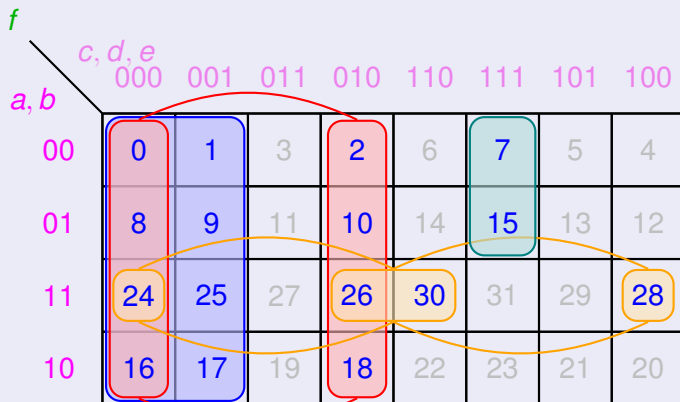
$$f(a, b, c, d) = \sum_m (0, 5, 7, 8, 11, 13, 14, 15)$$



$$f = \underline{bd} + \underline{abc} + \underline{acd} + \underline{\bar{b}\bar{c}\bar{d}}$$



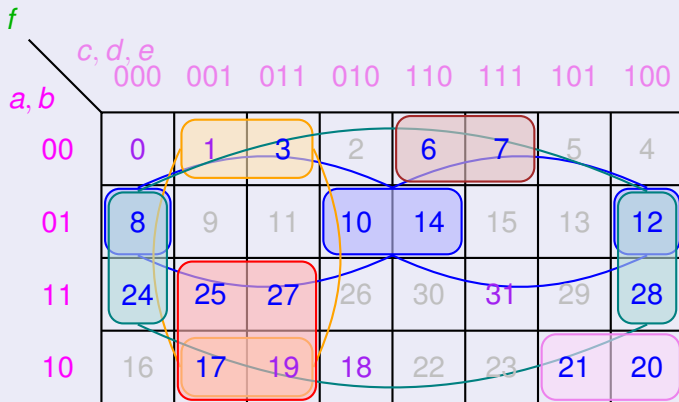
$$f(a, b, c, d, e) = \sum_m (0, 1, 2, 7, 8, 9, 10, 15, 16, 17, 18, 24, 25, 26, 28, 30)$$



$$f = \bar{c}\bar{d} + \bar{e}\bar{c} + ab\bar{e} + \bar{a}cde$$



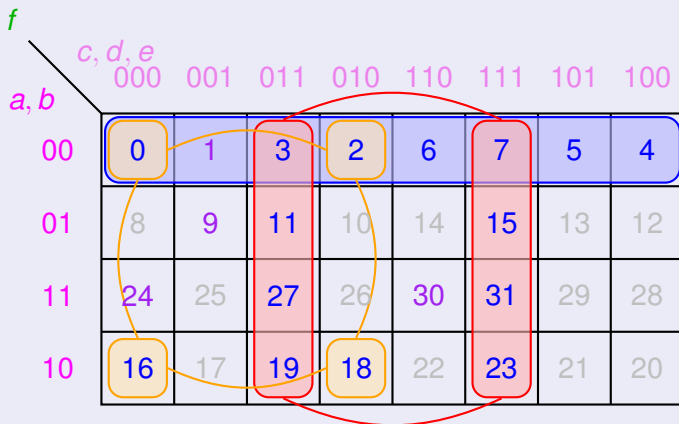
$$f(a, b, c, d, e) = \sum_m (3, 6, 7, 8, 10, 12, 14, 17, 20, 21, 24, 25, 27, 28) + \sum_d (0, 1, 18, 19, 31)$$



$$f = \underline{\bar{a}b\bar{e}} + \underline{a\bar{c}e} + \underline{\bar{b}\bar{c}e} + \underline{b\bar{d}\bar{e}} + \underline{a\bar{b}c\bar{d}} + \underline{\bar{a}\bar{b}cd}$$

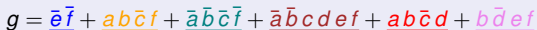


$$f(a, b, c, d, e) = \sum_m (0, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 11, 15, 16, 18, 19, 23, 27, 31) + \sum_d (1, 9, 24, 30)$$



$$f = \bar{a}\bar{b} + \underline{d}\underline{e} + \underline{\bar{b}}\underline{\bar{c}}\underline{\bar{e}}$$

$$\sum_m \binom{0, 2, 4, 8, 10, 13, 15, 16, 18, 20, 23, 24, 26, 32, 34, 40, 41, 42, 45, 47, 48,}{50, 56, 57, 58, 60, 61}$$



$$f = \left\{ \underbrace{(a+b+\bar{c}+\bar{d})}_{0011 \leftrightarrow 3} \cdot \underbrace{(a+\bar{b}+c+d)}_{0100 \leftrightarrow 4} \cdot \underbrace{(a+\bar{b}+\bar{c}+d)}_{0110 \leftrightarrow 6} \cdot \underbrace{(a+\bar{b}+\bar{c}+\bar{d})}_{0111 \leftrightarrow 7} \cdot \underbrace{(\bar{a}+b+\bar{c}+\bar{d})}_{1011 \leftrightarrow 11} \cdot \underbrace{(\bar{a}+\bar{b}+c+d)}_{1100 \leftrightarrow 12} \cdot \underbrace{(\bar{a}+\bar{b}+c+\bar{d})}_{1101 \leftrightarrow 13} \cdot \underbrace{(\bar{a}+\bar{b}+\bar{c}+d)}_{1110 \leftrightarrow 14} \cdot \underbrace{(\bar{a}+\bar{b}+\bar{c}+\bar{d})}_{1111 \leftrightarrow 15} \right\}$$

- Minterm accepts iff maxterm rejects
- Cover is obtained where f is false
- Core step: $(s+x)(s+\bar{x}) = s$

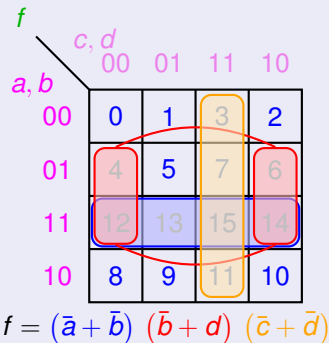
$$\bullet f = \begin{cases} M_3 \cdot M_4 \cdot M_6 \cdot M_7 \cdot M_{11} \cdot \\ M_{12} \cdot M_{13} \cdot M_{14} \cdot M_{15} \end{cases}$$

$$\bullet \bar{f} = \begin{cases} \bar{M}_3 + \bar{M}_4 + \bar{M}_6 + \bar{M}_7 + \bar{M}_{11} + \\ \bar{M}_{12} + \bar{M}_{13} + \bar{M}_{14} + \bar{M}_{15} \end{cases}$$

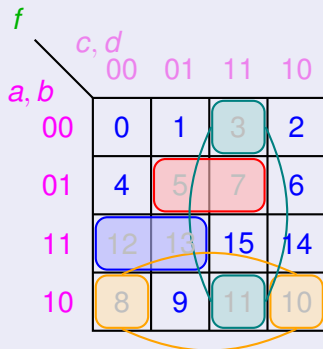
$$\bullet \bar{f} = \begin{cases} m_3 + m_4 + m_6 + m_7 + m_{11} + \\ m_{12} + m_{13} + m_{14} + m_{15} \end{cases}$$

$$\bullet f = m_0 + m_1 + m_2 + m_5 + m_8 + m_9 + m_{10}$$

NB Literals in a minterm and the corresponding maxterm are complemented



$$f(a, b, c, d) = \prod_M (3, 5, 7, 8, 10, 11, 12, 13)$$



$$f = (\bar{a} + \bar{b} + c) (a + \bar{b} + \bar{d}) (\bar{a} + b + d) (b + \bar{c} + \bar{d})$$

